THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) Government is considering certain changes in the law governing the receipt and utilisation of foreign contribution by voluntary organisations to remove shortcomings noticed in the present law.

Black lists of NRIs and PIOs

4009. SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a high level committee on Indian Diaspora is examining the revision of black lists of NRIs and PIO's; and

(b) whether Government have taken a decision to revise the said black lists on the informal or formal recommendations of the high level committee ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO) : (a) Yes Sir, the High Level Committee have pointed out need for revision of Black Lists.

(b) The review of Negative list maintained by Ministry of Home Affairs is a continuous process and on the basis of periodical review, names are deleted/ retained from the list.

Possession of disproportionate assets by Food Inspectors of PFA Department, Delhi

4010. SHRI ABANI ROY : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether some complaints have been received by Anti Corruption Branch, Central Bureau of Investigation, New Delhi during recent past regarding indulgence in bigamy and possession of disproportionate assets by some Food Inspectors of PFA Department, Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof and action taken by Government so far; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO) : (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The CBI have received a complaint containing such allegations against one of the officials of the Department of Prevention of Food Adulteration, Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi. The allegations are in the process of being

verified before further appropriate action in the matter is taken.

Report alleging madrasas a threat to national security

4011. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item published in the Hindustan Times dated the 4th August, 2001 under the caption, "Shahi Imams flay report on Madrasas";

(b) if so, the Government's reaction thereto;

(c) the details of the report which alleged that the Madrasas posed a threat to national security; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken in this regard to national interests ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The Group of Ministers (GoM) have submitted its report titled "Reforming the National Security System". Copies of the aforesaid report have been placed in the Parliament Library and the details of observations and recommendations made by the GoM are available therein.

GoM have made a recommendation that for bringing Madrasas into mainstream with the benefits of the modern education system, the State Government should provide support for free supply of text-books up to the primary school level, training of Madrasa teachers in teaching of mathematics, science and Urdu and other languages etc. A Central Advisory Board may be set up for madrasa education instead of leaving this critical matter to different State Level Advisory Boards. The concerned Ministry has been advised to take appropriate action in the matter.

Grant of Indian citizenship to citizen of Pakistan origin

†4012. SHRI BRATIN SENGUPTA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of citizens of Pakistani origin who have been granted Indian citizenship and settled in Kutch and other districts of Gujarat;

(b) the criteria adopted for granting citizenship;

(c) whether Government had studied the repercussions on the security of the region before taking a decision, if not, the reasons therefor; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.